

HSSC 2009-2010 Work Plan

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Health and Mental Health Care	Awareness of Health and Mental Health Care Resources	Develop a primer for the general public outlining what mental health care resources are available in the South Hennepin area (e.g., who, what specialties, location, cost, languages, etc.).	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. South Hennepin community members will gain the knowledge necessary to access mental health care resources in the South Hennepin area. 2. Individuals will access mental health care resources. 3. Overall mental health of South Hennepin community members will improve.
		Coordinate a campaign to communicate the benefits of good health and mental health.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. South Hennepin community members will gain the knowledge and tools necessary to support their mental health and wellness. 2. Individuals will access services that support their health and mental health. 3. Overall health and mental health of South Hennepin community members will improve.
		Annually update “South Hennepin Mental Health & Chemical Health Resource Guide.”	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Professionals will gain the knowledge and tools necessary to refer clients to mental health and chemical health care resources in the South Hennepin area. 2. Individuals will access mental health and chemical health care resources. 3. Overall mental health and chemical health of South Hennepin community members will improve.
	Access to Mental Health Care Services	Coordinate a workshop on Hennepin County “Front Door” and available mental health care services.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Professionals will gain the knowledge and tools necessary to help clients access Hennepin County health and mental health services. 2. Individuals will access health and mental health care resources. 3. Overall health and mental health of South Hennepin community members will improve.
		Research avenues for provision of specialized psychiatric services and psychiatric medication management for low income populations.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Professionals will gain the knowledge and tools necessary to provide specialized psychiatric services to low income clients in the South Hennepin area. 2. Individuals will access specialized psychiatric services. 3. Overall mental health of South Hennepin community members will improve.

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Schools and Community Partnerships	Service Coordination	Coordinate district specific, regularly scheduled meetings with school staff and outside agencies to network and share resources.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Professionals will gain the knowledge and tools necessary to make efficient and effective student referrals. 2. Students will access resources. 3. South Hennepin student academic performance will improve and graduation rates will increase.
	Educational Equity	Partner with Ed Change at Hamline University to provide training on equity in education and white privilege.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1a. Professionals will gain the knowledge and tools necessary to provide an equitable education for all students. <li style="padding-left: 20px;">b. Parents and community members will gain an understanding of the benefit of inclusive and equitable schools. 2. Students will experience educational equity. 3. South Hennepin student academic performance will improve and graduation rates will increase.
	Defining and Supporting School Success	Coordinate a regional forum with our three school districts to develop a shared vision of school success.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Professionals will gain the knowledge and tools necessary to establish avenues for collaboration in the area of school success. 2. Professionals will collaborate for school success in the South Hennepin area. 3. South Hennepin student academic performance will improve and graduation rates will increase.
	Parent Involvement/Engagement	Coordinate workshop on purposeful parent engagement.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Professionals will gain the knowledge and tools necessary to provide purposeful parent engagement. 2. Parents will participate as partners in their child(ren)'s education. 3. South Hennepin student academic performance will improve and graduation rates will increase.
		Coordinate forums for staff and parents across our three school districts on topics such as outreach strategies and parent needs.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Parents and professionals will gain the knowledge and tools necessary to partner together for educational success. 2. Parents will participate as partners in their child(ren)'s education. 3. South Hennepin student academic performance will improve and graduation rates will increase.

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Self-Sufficiency	Community Engagement	Learn from the Itasca Project's work on closing socio-economic disparities and sustaining regional competitiveness and quality of life.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Professionals will gain the knowledge and tools necessary to close socio-economic disparities. 2. Professionals will develop and implement solutions to reduce socio-economic disparity in the South Hennepin area. 3. South Hennepin community members will face fewer barriers to self-sufficiency.
		Coordinate a forum with legislators and city officials to increase their awareness of low income individuals and families and assist them in affecting change for this population.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Local and regional government representatives in the South Hennepin area will gain the knowledge to affect change for low income individuals and families. 2. Local and regional governments will enact policies and support programs that assist low income individuals and families. 3. South Hennepin community members will face fewer barriers to self-sufficiency.
	Working Skills and Support	Coordinate an annual education and training event focused on programs that support a livable wage.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. South Hennepin community members will gain the knowledge and tools necessary to access training and education programs. 2. Individuals will participate in education and training programs that support self-sufficiency. 3. South Hennepin community members will face fewer barriers to self-sufficiency.
		Coordinate a "Beyond Survival Fair" for residents of South Hennepin demonstrating availability of financial match programs (i.e., FAIM and LSS).	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. South Hennepin community members will gain the knowledge of available financial match programs. 2. Individuals will access programs. 3. South Hennepin community members will face fewer barriers to self-sufficiency.
	Resource Awareness	Coordinate Navigating the Waters VII and VIII workshops and booklets.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Professionals will gain the knowledge and tools necessary to refer clients to Hennepin County Government programs for families. 2. Individuals will access Hennepin County programs. 3. South Hennepin community members will face fewer barriers to self-sufficiency.

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General Regional Assistance	Collaborative Partners Have the Information They Need to Effectively and Efficiently Serve Clients and Increase Their Capacity for Financial Development	Dissemination of timely and useful research, data, and information on issues of general regional interest (could be primary or secondary data analysis).	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. HSSC's Collaborative Partners will be better informed about research and data on issues that affect the South Hennepin area. 2. Professionals will use the research and data to inform, improve, and expand their programming to better serve their clients. 3. South Hennepin residents will experience an improved quality of life.
Facilitator Forums	Continuing Education and Training Opportunities for Collaborative Partners	Coordinate semiannual forums on current issues in facilitation of educational, therapeutic, and work groups.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Professionals will gain the knowledge and tools necessary to improve their facilitation of educational, therapeutic, and work groups. 2. Individuals will achieve greater personal development through group participation. 3. South Hennepin residents will experience an improved quality of life.

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